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Type of Organization: State

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Project Title: Great Lakes Fishery Education Kiosks

Project Category: Habitat (Ecological) Protection and Rest

Rank by Organization (if applicable): 1

Total Funding Requested (\$): 22,000 **Project Duration:** 1 Years

Abstract:

Educational plans have been written by UW-Stevens Point Grad and Undergrad students for educational outreach for the Northern Pike Restoration Project on the West Shore of Green Bay and the Salmon/Trout Egg Collection Station at Strawberry Creek. In the spring of 2000, the students will develop an educational plan for Great Lakes Fish Ecology reachout for 5 other key boat landings.

This project will cover the final graphic work and layout for the educational panels for the kiosks. It will also cover the construction and installation of these kiosks. This will help resource users/visitors understand the fish resource and how it is managed at remote sites where and when fisheries staff is not available.

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Geographic Areas Affected by the Proj States: Illinois New York Indiana Pennsylvania Michigan Wisconsin	Lakes: Superior Erie Huron Ontario Michigan All Lakes						
Minnesota Ohio							
Geographic Initiatives: Greater Chicago NE Ohio NW Indiana SE Michigan Lake St. Clair							
Primary Affected Area of Concern: F	ox River/Green Bay, WI						
Other Affected Areas of Concern:							
For Habitat Projects Only:							
Primary Affected Biodiversity Investment Area: Green Bay Western Shore							
Other Affected Biodiversity Investment Areas: Door County Peninsula							

Problem Statement:

To be able to help the public understand what and why things are being done at remote sites such as the Pike Spawning Grounds reclamation project and the Strawberry Creek Salmon/Trout Egg Collection Station. In order to gain support for critical Great Lakes issues, we need to develop a greater awareness in fishers, tourists, and other resource users of Great Lakes ecology, biodiversity, and management.

Thus, we need an educational reach-out to visitors at remote sites where staffing is minimal or non-existant, yet there is a significant Great Lakes Fishery story to be told.

Proposed Work Outcome:

To construct and install educational kiosks that will educate the public about Green Bay and Lake Michigan fishery, ecology and biodiversity. The public will begin to understand the steps being taken by the EPA and Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources to protect this Great Lakes resource while visiting at remote unstaffed sites.

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Project Milestones:	Dates:	
Project begin	07/2000	
Last pre-project plan finished	05/2000	
Graphic artwork	11/2000	
Final Layout and camera ready copy	02/2001	
Panel construction	04/2001	
Kiosks constructed and panels installed	07/2001	
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Project End	08/2001	

Project Addresses Environmental Justice

If So, Description of How:

Project Addresses Education/Outreach

If So, Description of How:

Target audiences for these kiosk projects are Great Lakes fishers, tourists, school groups, and other resource users. This project will provide them with educational opportunities at remote locations where staff are not available. This will give the visitor information concerning EPA, Wis. DNR, and other partnership activities which improve and protect the Great Lakes fishery and ecosystem.

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Project Budget:			
, ,	Federal Share Requested (\$)	Applicant's Share (\$)	
Personnel:	0	9,280	
Fringe:	0	3,341	
Travel:	200	140	
Equipment:	0	100	
Supplies:	800	50	
Contracts:	15,000	0	
Construction:	6,000	0	
Other:	0	10,000	
Total Direct Costs:	22,000	22,911	
Indirect Costs:	0	500	
Total:	22,000	23,411	
Projected Income:	0	0	

Funding by Other Organizations (Names, Amounts, Description of Commitments):

UW-Stevens Point Value + \$10,000 provided by the University

12 grad and undergraduate Student Volunteers provided the initial project planning under the guidance of the DNR NE Regional Education Coordinator and DNR Fisheries staff. This project was a class project for the students and will provide the base design for the kiosk panels. The plans are complete for the Pike Spawning and Strawberry Creek Egg Collection Station panels. UW-Stevens Point professors Zimmerman and Gross have agreed to participate again this year in designing the plan for a kiosk on Lake Michigan/Green Bay fishery - its ecology, biodiversity, and management.

Description of Collaboration/Community Based Support:

UW-Stevens Point Value + \$10,000 provided for free

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Wisconsin State Parks - The state parks containing boat landings with kiosks will maintain them as part of the intra-DNR cooperative agreement.

Door Co. Parks (Wisconsin) - an agreement will be reached with Door Co to take care of the Kiosk placed at one of their boat landings.

UW-Sea Grant (NOAA) provides expertise on Great Lakes issues to students as requested for planning purposes.